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In re application of

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AMENDMENT FILED WITH A RCE

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of May 21, 2002, a RCE is being filed in the application. **Please do not enter the amendment filed August 20, 2002. Please do enter the letter to the draftsman filed on August 20, 2002, and also please amend the above-identified application as follows:**

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 11, 14-16, and 18-25 with the following amended claims

11, 14-16, and 18-25.

11. (Amended) An electronic control unit for use in an automobile which has operating devices which are physically separate from the control unit, the control unit comprising a component board (3) having an assembly side (4) on which a plurality of electronic modules (10, 11, 12, 13) are provided, each module having a separate electrical control circuit, wherein each electrical control circuit of each electronic module generates at least one control function for controlling a respective operating device which is physically separate from the control unit, and is connected to the control unit